



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/214,001	12/24/1998	HITOSHI KUDO	P17380	6119

7590 05/17/2002

GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN
1941 ROLAND CLARKE PLACE
RESTON, VA 20191

EXAMINER

VARCOE JR, FREDERICK T

ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
----------	--------------

1764

23

DATE MAILED: 05/17/2002

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

**Response to Rule 312
Communication**

Application No.
09/214,001

Applicant(s)
Kudo et al.

Examiner
Varcoe

Art Unit
1764



-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

1. ☒ The amendment filed on Apr 18, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☒ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

Marian C. Knode
MARIAN C. KNODE
SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700